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SIP DE JOSEPH F. SPANIOL, JR

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER TERM 1990

ELIZABETH WARNE, Petitioner

V.

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, Respondent,

v.

KAISER PERMANENTE MEDICAL CENTER; SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERMANENTE MEDICAL CENTER; KAISER SELF INSURANCE PROGRAM; MICHAEL STOLZBERG and STOLZBERG & SPENCER; DR. JOHN SELLMAN, M.D.; DR. IRWIN BLISS, M.D.; DR. PATRICK ZACCALINI; DR. JOHN HOWARD, M.D.; DR. ALLEN BURSK, M.D.; Real Parties In Interest.

PETITION FOR A WRIT OF CERTIORARI TO THE SUPREME COURT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Petitioner, Pro Per



QUESTIONS PRESENTED FOR REVIEW

- (1) Was petitioner denied due process of law when the Superior Court decided a demurrer on missing court records? Should the court have first reviewed the records? Did the doctrine of stare decisis mandate the Supreme Court For The State Of California issue a writ of mandamus directing the Superior Court to vacate its orders?
- (2) Did the Liljeberg doctrine mandate the Supreme Court For The State Of California enter an order directing the Honorable Judge Ross of the Superior Court Of California disqualify himself from all further proceedings and vacate his orders?

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Elizabeth Warne, appearing Pro Per, respectfully requests the Honorable Court for a writ of certiorari issue to review the judgement and opinion of the Supreme Court for the State of California.

OPINIONS BELOW

The Second Appellate District entered orders denying the writ on July 10, 1990, and July 16, 1990. These orders have been reprinted in appendix hereto on pages A-1 and A-3, respectively.

The Supreme Court of California entered orders denying review on August 22, 1990 and August 29, 1990, reprinted in appendix hereto, pages A-2 and A-4, respectively.

JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction of this Court is invoked pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1257(a).

The judgements of the Supreme Court for the State of California were entered on August 22, 1990 and August 29, 1990.

CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISIONS INVOLVED

The Fourteenth Amendment to the United States Constitution (U.S. Const. Amend. XIV) provides in pertinent part:

No state shall...deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

STATEMENT OF THE CASE

After an accident, the real parties in interest failed to adequately diagnose the medical condition of petitioner, but instead shuttled petitioner back and forth between doctors.

This shuttling caused petitioner to loose her memory, and resulted in many other forms of injury as well.

Between November of 1989 and April 1990, petitioner regained her memory.

Without fully regaining her faculties, petitioner filed a malpractice action.

Pleadings filed by petitioner were missing from court files, as shown in appendix pages A-5 and A-6, and judges were ruling for defendants without the benefit of the pleadings which were filed

by petitioner.

Defendants had a judge, with personal interest in the case, grant the demurrer.

Demurrer was granted by the judge without disclosing his personal interest.

Even though records and files revealed the contrary, one defendant had summons squashed for improper service, in spite of his being properly served.

REASONS FOR GRANTING THE WRIT

I.

The decision of the Supreme Court Of California to uphold the actions of the Superior Court on the missing court files violates petitioner's right to due process.

The instant case presents somewhat of a novel claim in which the constitutional right of access to the courts is implicated. Most cases involving this right have arisen in the context of a prisoner's right of access to the courts.

Bounds v. Smith, 430 U.S. 817, 97 S.Ct.

1491, 52 L.Ed.2d 72 (1971). The applications of constitutional rights, however, do not remain static. Clear precedent exists indicating that the constitutional right of access extends to

the circumstances in the present case. The Due Process Clause creates substantive rights that are not explicit in the first ten amendments Roe v. Wade, 410 U.S. 113, 152-153, 93 S.Ct. 705, 726-727, 35 L.Ed.2d 147 (1973). Most of these rights derive directly from the Bill of Rights. See Griswold v. Connecticut, 381 U.S. 479, 484, 85 S.Ct. 1678, 1681, 14 L.Ed.2d 510 (1965). Under the Due Process Clause, a litigant has the right not to be denied his or her right of access to courts and review without due process of law. In Baker v. McCollan, 443 U.S. 137, 99 S.Ct. 2689, 61 L.Ed.2d 433 (1979), this Court held the Fourteenth Amendment protects deprivation without due process of law.

In Martinez v. California, 62 L.Ed.2d

481 (1980), this Court stated that when there is a lack of knowledge on the part of the government, the officials cannot be deemed to have deprived a person of due process within the meaning of the Fourteenth Amendment. In conformity with its prior practices, this Court has stated that "the right of access to the courts is indeed but one aspect of the right to petition". California Motor Transport Co. v. Trucking Unlimited, 404 U.S. 508, 510, 92 S.Ct. 609, 611, 30 L.Ed.2d 642 (1977), noting that it is "among the most precious of the liberties safeguarded by the Bill Of Rights", United Mine Workers v. Illinois State Bar Association, 389 U.S. 217, 222, 88 S.Ct. 353, 356, 19 L.Ed. 426 (1967), and that it has "a sanctity and a sanction not

permitting dubious intrusions" <u>Thomas v.</u>
<u>Collins</u>, 323 U.S. 516, 530, 65 S.Ct. 315,
322, 89 L.Ed. 430 (1945). As an aspect of
the First Amendment Right To Petition,
the right of access to the courts shares
this "preferred place" in our hierarchy
of constitutional freedoms and values.

In the instant case, as set forth in Appendix page A-5, the Clerk of the Court certified that court records were not in the court files and were missing. By not having all documents on file, the Clerk of the Court denied petitioner "free and unhampered access to the courts", United States ex rel. Cleggett v. Pate, 229 F.Supp. 818, 821-22 (N.D. Ill. 1964). These missing records caused service of summons to be squashed and demurrers granted, which would not have happened

had the records been there. Due process mandated the California Supreme Court enter an order vacating all orders entered by the Superior Court without the benefit of the Court Records.

This Court held in Breithaupt v. Abram, 77 S.Ct. 408, 352 U.S. 432, 1 L.Ed.2d 448 (1957) that due process is not measured by the yardstick of personal reaction or the sphygmogram of the most sensitive person, but by that whole community sense of decency and fairness that has been woven by common experience into the fabric of acceptable conduct. Putting it in the terms of the lay person, this "whole community sense of decency and fairness" mandates court clerks have complete files and judges review all of the papers on file before

deciding a case. It shocks the sense of fundamental fairness to learn that a judge decided acase without the benefit of all the records and files in that case. The substantive component of due process bars certain governmental actions "regardless of the fairness of the proceedures used to implement them", Daniels v. Williams, 474 U.S. 327, 106 S.Ct. 662, 665, 88 L.Ed.2d 662 (1986), and to make a determination as to whether a right protected by the guarantee of substantive due process has been violated, the court must "balance the 'liberty of the individual' and 'the demands of organized society'", Youngberg y. Romeo, 457 U.S. 307, 320, 102 S.Ct. 2452, 2460, 73 L.Ed.2d 28 (1982) (quoting Poe v. Ullman, 367 U.S. 497, 542, 81

S.Ct. 1752, 1776, 6 L.Ed.2d 989 (1961)
(Harlan, J., dissenting)). These standards mandate the Court issue a writ of certiorari to review the judgement of the Supreme Court of California because the court, through "dubious intrusions" Thomas, supra, denied petioner due process of the law.

II.

The Doctrine Of Stare Desisis mandated the Supreme Court Of California enter an Order recusing Judge Ross due to a conflict of interest and vacate his orders.

Attorney Horner was a former employee of Judge Ross and, due to certain financial disputes between Judge Ross and Horner which either has been or

will be under litigation, both of them have had bad blood amongst each other. Putting it in simple terms, each hates the other to the point they will do anything to hurt one another. Judge Ross was assigned the proceedings on the demurrer for defendant Howard. Without disclosing the conflict of interest, he granted the demurrer because, in doing so, would favorably affect attorney Horner, which favor Judge Ross seeks.

Courts in several cases have held that, in determining whether a judge should be disqualified, an objective "reasonable person" standard should be used to determine whether a judge's impartiality could reasonably be questioned. To accomplish justice, courts have the inherent power to vacate their

judgements, <u>Klapprott v. United States</u>, 335 U.S. 601, 614-15, 93 L.Ed. 266, 69 S.Ct. 384 (1949), but this should only be done in "extraordinary circumstances", <u>Ackerman v. United States</u>, 340 U.S. 193, 95 L.Ed. 207, 71 S.Ct. 209 (1950).

First it is interesting to note that the Judge and attorney, who hate each other, failed to bring this to the attention of the parties involved.

In fact, they went out of their way to conceal this, by the filing of Appendix page A-7 and "not serving this document on all parties". Why would two people with such bad blood between each other do this? What is the reason for concealing the facts and not bringing this matter before the hearing in a timely manner?

There seems to be no reason, except

in order to conceal the facts. This Court stated in Lilieberg v. Health Services Corp., 486 U.S. 847, 100 L.Ed.2d 855, 878, 108 S.Ct. 2194 (1988), that "the guiding consideration is that the administration of justice should reasonably appear to be disinterested as well as be so in fact". Public Utilities Comm'n of D.C. v. Pollack, 343 U.S. 451, 466-67, 96 L.Ed. 1068, 72 S.Ct. 813 (1952) (Franfurter, J. in chambers). To perform its high function in the best way, "justice must satisfy the appearance of justice", In Re Murchison, 349 U.S. 133, 136, 99 L.Ed. 942, 75 S.Ct. 623 (1955), and here one can smell a rat because the appearance of justice is not satisfied.

A writ should be issued by this Court

to review the order and to rectify the wrongdoing caused to petitioner by judicial impropriety.

CONCLUSION

Therefore, petitioner respectfully requests that this court grant the petition and issue the writ of certiorari.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Warne, Pro Per

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IN THE COURT OF APPEAL OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA - SECOND APPELLATE DISTRICT DIVISION FOUR

ELIZABETH WARNE,) No. B051311
Petitioner,) (Super.Ct.No.C693186)) (Edward Ross, Judge;
₩.) Ronald Sohigian, Judge)
THE SUPERIOR COURT OF LOS ANGELES CO.,	ORDER
Respondent,	<u> </u>
KAISER PERM., [etc] et al.,)))
Real Parties In Interest.) [Filed July 10,1990]

THE COURT: *

The petition for writ of mandate filed July 3, 1990, has been read and considered and is denied for failure to demonstrate entitlement to extraordinary relief.

The petition does not state the procedural history of the underlying action with sufficient particularity to permit writ review. Neither does the petition provide an adequate record for review. (See Cal. Rules of court, rule 56(c).)

s/ Woods, Goertzen and Epstein
*WOODS (A), P.J., GOERTZEN, J., EPSTEIN, J.

ORDER DENYING REVIEW AFTER JUDGEMENT BY THE COURT OF APPEAL

Second Appellate District, Division Four, No. B051311 S016606 IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN BANK

[Filed August 22, 1990]

ELIZABETH WARNE, Petitioner,

V.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, Respondent KAISER PERMANENTE Et AL, Real Parties in Interest

Petition for review DENIED.

s/ Lucas
Chief Justice

[July 16,1990]
"X-REF B051311-Div 4-W" "DENIED, s/ Ross, J.; Gates, J.; Fukuto, J. For the Court"

NO: B051351

IN THE COURT OF APPEAL STATE OF CALIFORNIA

SECOND APPELLATE DISTRICT

DIVISIO	DN: Two
Elizabeth Warne,	NO:
Petitioner,	
vs	Superior Court #C693186 Judge: Sohigian
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Respondent.	

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ORDER DENYING REVIEW AFTER JUDGEMENT BY THE COURT OF APPEAL

Second Appellate District, Division Two, No. B051351 S016698 IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

IN BANK

[Filed August 29, 1990]

ELIZABETH WARNE, Petitioner,

٧.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT, Respondent

KAISER PERMANENTE MEDICAL CENTER, Real Party in Interest

Petition for review DENIED.

s/ Lucas Chief Justice

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

ELIZABETH WARNE,	NO. C 693186	
Plaintiff,)	
•) CERTIFICATE	OF
vs.) CLERK	
KAISER-PERMANENTE	;	
MEDICAL CENTER,)	
et al.,)	
Defendants.	}.	

I, FRANK S. ZOLIN, County Clerk/Executive Officer of the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Los Angeles, do hereby certify:

That I am the duly authorized custodian of the records of the above court;

That on May 7, 1990, there were in excess of 20,000 documents awaiting to be placed in their respective case file folders, in Room . 112 of the County Courthouse;

That the register of Action pages in the above subject matter reveal that after the entry made for April 26, 1990, an entry was made for May 2, 1990 and May 7, 1990, respectively;

7, 1990, two (2) entries were made for

April 20, 1990 and one (1) entry was made for April 23, 1990, respectively;

That following the entry made for April 23, 1990, an entry was made for May 19, 1990 and May 31, 1990, respectively, and a copy of said Register of Action page has been attached as Exhibit "A";

That according to the normal practices of the Register of Actions Section, in Room 118 of the County Courthouse, the majority of Register of Action entries are made from loose documents that have yet to be placed inthe case file.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Superior Court this 19th day of June 1990.

FRANK S. ZOLIN, County Clerk/ Executive Officer of the Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Los Angeles.

Dated June 19,1990 By s/ A.W. Hebert Deputy

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Defendants.

CASE NO. C693186

AFFIDAVIT OF PREJUDICE (CCP § 170.6)

Date:June 22,1990

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Dept: 84 Trial: None

[Filed June 15,1990]

I, Robert B. Horner declare as follows:

I am the attorney for defendant IRWIN BLISS, M.D. in the above-entitled action. The Honorable EDWARD ROSS is prejudiced against the defendant and his attorney such that he believes that he cannot have a fair or impartial trial or hearing before such judge.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed this 25th day of May, 1990 at Beverly Hills, California.

Robert B. Horner

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SUMMARY OF PETITIONER'S MISSTATEMENTS OF LAW AND FACT

In her Petition for Writ of

Certiorari, petitioner misstates the law

and the facts of this case, <u>inter alia</u>, in
the following respects.

1. Petitioner misleadingly attempts to "lump together" all lower court rulings and the numerous appeals thereof, even though there were numerous defendants named in this action, for the most part represented by separate counsel. The orders with respect to each defendant are not summarized by petitioner, and this Honorable Court is left with the unenviable task of sifting through the Petition just to determine the status of the litigation with respect to each party! In fact, the only lower court order ever issued with respect to Dr. Sellman was an order quashing service of the Summons on Third

Amended Complaint and Third Amended

Complaint for failure to comply with the requirements of California Code of Civil Procedure, Section 415.20(b).

- 2. Petitioner fails to mention that the California Court of Appeals (Second District) and the California Supreme Court affirmed the lower court's finding of a lack of "due diligence" in attempting to effect personal service on Dr. Sellman.
- 3. As appears from petitioner's own summary of the "Questions Presented For Review" at page "i" of the Petition for Writ of Certiorari, Petitioner is confused as to the role of this Court and as to the nature of the relief that she requests.

 The "Questions Presented For Review" refer to the purportedly improper sustaining of a demurrer and, secondly, a request that this Court issue an order requiring Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Ross to disqualify himself and vacating all of his

- orders. The order <u>quashing service</u> on Dr. Sellman was issued by Judge Ronald Sohigian, <u>not</u> by Judge Ross!
- 4. In support of the unique "relief" requested by petitioner, she refers to the doctrine of stare decisis and the Liljeberg doctrine, both of which are clearly not applicable to the granting of a motion to quash service of summons. In fact, in the body of the Petition, petitioner relies on the doctrine of stare decisis at page 9, Point II, but cites absolutely no authority for its application in the instant case. Similarly, the Liljeberg case is cited at page 12, but the parties and this Court are left in the dark as to its supposed application to this case.
- 5. Petitioner's groundless Petition
 for Writ of Mandate (seeking review of the
 granting of Dr. Sellman's Motion to Quash
 Service of Summons) was denied by the
 California Court of Appeals (Second
 District) on July 16, 1990, without further

comment; her Petition for Review to the California Supreme Court was denied, without comment as well.

Just as she failed to show any justification for the Appellate Court to overrule Judge Sohigian's ruling in the trial court (based on oral and documentary evidence presented by both sides), and just as she failed to show any grounds for California Supreme Court review, she has again failed to show why the highest court in the land should concern itself with a ruling on a Motion to Quash Service of Summons. In bringing this Petition, petitioner has blithely continued her abuse of the judicial system, has ignored the function of the United States Supreme Court and continues to make a mockery of the judicial process.

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Real party in interest, JOHN SELLMAN, M.D. (specially appearing), Submits the following Brief in Opposition to Petition for Writ of Certiorari:

PETITIONER HAS FAILED TO ESTABLISH THE JURISDICTION OF THIS COURT TO HEAR HER APPEALS, ESPECIALLY WITH RESPECT TO DR. SELLMAN

The Petition includes a conclusionary blurb at page "vii", purportedly invoking the jurisdiction of this Court under 28 USC 1257(a). Petitioner does not, however, explain how that Section applies to the case at bar. As best as can be gleaned from the body of the Petition, petitioner is claiming some sort of denial of due process. Yet, nowhere does she explain the nature of such "denial", other than in her statement of "Questions Presented For Review," where she states that one such question is whether she was "denied due process of law when the Superior Court decided a demurrer on missing court records." Assuming the due process clause is the basis of petitioner's invocation of the jurisdiction of the United States

Supreme Court does not have jurisdiction to review her claims with respect to Dr.

Sellman! Specifically, the lower court rulings with respect to Dr. Sellman did not concern the sustaining of a demurrer, and there is no contention that they were based on "missing court records" as is contended with respect to the ruling on the demurrer. In fact, petitioner does not even state which defendant(s) are supposedly encompassed by the unique "due process" argument.

Finally, the numerous and sundry
United States Supreme Court decisions cited
by petitioner have no bearing on the type
of basic law and motion matters that are
the subject of the lower court rulings
"appealed" by petitioner, let alone the
ruling on Dr. Sellman's Motion to Quash
Service of Summons. For example,
petitioner cites cases dealing with the
right to privacy in the context of a

woman's right to an abortion [Roe v. Wade,
410 U.S. 113, 93 S.Ct. 705, 35 L.Ed.2d 147
(1973)] and other intimate matters
[Griswold v. Connecticut, 381 U.S. 479, 85
S.Ct. 1678, 14 L.Ed.2d 510 (1965)], a
prisoner's right to access to the courts
and to legal research facilities [Bounds v.
Smith, 430 U.S. 817, 97 S.Ct. 1491, 52
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the "sanctity" of the due process clause.
[Thomas v. Collins, 323 U.S. 516, 65 S.Ct.
315, 89 L.Ed. 430 (1945)].

II

THE MATTERS RAISED BY PETITIONER DO NOT SUPPORT THE GRANTING OF A WRIT OF CERTIORARI

Rules of the Supreme Court of the
United States, Rule 10, sets forth the
matters to be considered by the United
States Supreme Court in deciding whether to
exercise its discretion in favor of
granting a Writ of Certiorari. Rule 10
states, in pertinent part, as follows:

"1. A review on writ of certiorari is not a matter of right, but of judicial discretion. A petition for a writ of certiorari will be granted only when there are special and important reasons therefor."

The considerations set forth in the subparagraphs of Rule 10 call for a denial of the within Petition. That is, there has been absolutely no showing that the California Supreme Court ["state court of last resort" as described in Rule 10(b)] has rendered a decision on a Federal question that conflicts with a decision of another State court, or that any court in this case decided "an important question of federal law" which should be decided by the United States Supreme Court, or that any court "has decided a federal question in a way that conflicts with applicable

decisions of this Court", as described in Rule 10(c).

To the contrary, the California Court of Appeal (Second Appellate District) and the California Supreme Court denied the petitions before them without addressing any "federal question."

III

THE MOTION TO QUASH WAS PROPERLY

GRANTED BY THE TRIAL COURT AND

PETITIONER'S REQUESTS FOR APPELLATE RELIEF

WERE PROPERLY DENIED BY THE APPELLATE

COURT AND BY THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT

In the Los Angeles County Superior

Court, California Court of Appeals (Second

District) and California Supreme Court,

plaintiff continually re-submitted her

"declarations" in an obviously futile

attempt to establish proper service.

Suffice it to say that California Code of Civil Procedure, Section 415.20(b) requires due diligence in effecting personal service and the burden is on

plaintiff to establish "reasonable diligence". [Evart v. Superior Court (1979) 89 Cal.App.3d 795, 799-802, 152 Cal. Rptr. 836]. Rather than establishing grounds for United States Supreme Court review, petitioner merely requests this Court to overturn all adverse rulings and disqualify the Los Angeles Superior Court judge perceived as "responsible" for such adverse rulings. [Note that the granting of the Motion to Quash Service of Summons on the part of Dr. Sellman was by Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Ronald Sohigian, not Judge Ross, who is the subject of petitioner's request for "disqualification."] Even if this Court were empowered to grant the relief requested by petitioner, she has not established grounds for doing so.

CONCLUSION

Petitioner is grasping at straws in an improper and unjustified attempt to have the United States Supreme Court totally disregard the trial court, Appellate Court and State Supreme Court rulings merely because they were not to her liking. Such "forum shopping" should not be permitted. For the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully requested that the Petition for Writ of Certiorari be denied.

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